

Master, Towboat

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125-14JOB CONTROLS

1. Supervision exercised by the Head, Equipment Pool Section, or other competent authority, who issue verbal orders and written instructions on the work to be performed. Superior also holds discussions with incumbent regarding special inspection trips, or any unusual events which may arise.

2. District Orders, Circulars, and Bulletins; Applicable provisions of U. S. Coast Guard and Bureau of Shipping regulations pertaining to rules governing channels, lights, waters used, etc.; Marine Safety Regulations. Must possess a Master's license to cover the waters in which towboat operates.

MAJOR DUTIES

Serves as Master of a steam, stern-wheel towboat, engaged in towing plant and equipment, making special and other inspection trips, and in channel patrol operations for the locating and marking of channels, establishing and relocating aids to navigation, etc.

1. Responsible for efficient operations of the boat, safety, and security of personnel and tow. Uses independent judgment in determining if weather and navigation are suitable for operation of boat. Is on call 24 hours a day.

2. Supervises and directs the work of the crew including Pilots, Cook-Steward, Boatswain, Waiter, Cooks, Deckhands, and Mess Attendants. Is administratively responsible for additional Engine Department employees such as, Chief Engineer, First Assistant Engineer, Marine Oilers, and Marine Firemen.

3. Responsible for proper making up of tows. Instructs and issues orders to pilots particularly when special river channel conditions arise. May occasionally be required to stand a pilot's watch.

4. Maintains daily log of operations and submits all required operating and administrative reports. Responsible for all property assigned to the unit. Checks occasionally to see that all property charged is accounted for, and periodically recommends condemnation of such obsolete, worn out, or unserviceable property as is necessary.

* 5. Conducts fire, abandon ship and man-overboard drills. Inspects fire and life-saving equipment to determine that equipment is in good serviceable condition.

6. Supervises and directs normal operating repairs to towboat. Submits requisitions for whatever materials and subsistence supplies needed. Responsible for the maintenance of the boat in a clean and orderly condition. Periodically inspects quarters for cleanliness and proper order.

7. Responsible for and maintains good morale and discipline of entire crew. Recommends employment, promotions or reassignments of crew members as well as discharge when such action is necessary.

8. As required, provides navigating instructions for vessels operating on the rivers. Similarly, furnishes master and pilots of same with latest information on channel conditions, as necessary.

9. In addition, the incumbent is as a supervisor of the work of others, responsible for training subordinates in safe working practices, for studying the method of performance of operations under his supervision, contract or hired labor, and correcting or reporting for correction any condition detrimental to the safety of the worker or other individual. Responsible for becoming completely familiar with all safety requirements and procedures and carrying out all accident prevention details applicable to the position in the organization.

Performs other incidental duties as assigned.